

<b>NUTRITION SERVICES DIVISION MANAGEMENT BULLETIN</b>		<b>No. 00-712</b>
<b>TO:</b>	All Summer Food Service Sponsors	<b>ISSUE DATE:</b> February 2001
<b>ATTENTION:</b>	Food Service Directors	
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Categorical Eligibility of Job Training Partnership Act/Workforce Investment Act Participants in the Summer Food Service Program	
<b>REFERENCE:</b>	United States Department of Agriculture APB: SFS-00-07	

This Management Bulletin transmits the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) policy for permitting sponsors to consider Workforce Investment Act (WIA) youths who are 18 years of age and under as categorically eligible to participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

The Department of Labor's WIA program replaced the Job Training Partnership Act in July 2000. WIA is designed to enhance youth programs linked to local labor markets, community youth programs, and youth services. **Children qualify for the WIA program by being low-income, which also makes them categorically eligible to participate in the SFSP.**

Sponsors who have WIA participants must maintain one of the following eligibility documents:

- Free and reduced price meal applications which state that the child is a WIA participant; or
- A list signed by a WIA official containing the children's names and ages enrolled at the site.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Garza, Program Analyst, Nutrition Program Management Unit, at (916) 322-5885, (800) 952-5609, or [mgarza@cde.ca.gov](mailto:mgarza@cde.ca.gov).

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